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CULTURAL & HERITAGE COMMISSION ANNOUNCES NEW JERSEY ARTS & HISTORY GRANTS WORKSHOPS

(SALEM, NJ)—Freeholder Beth Timberman, liaison to the Salem County Cultural and Heritage Commission, today announced that the Commission is presenting grantwriting workshops for arts and history projects and programs on Tuesday, August 23, 2011 at the Ware Agricultural Complex, 51 Cheney Road, Mannington, NJ. The History Workshop begins at 6:30 p.m. and the Arts Workshop at 7:30. Both are free to the public.

"This workshop is designed to make our arts and history grants program accessible and understandable," said Freeholder Timberman. "We encourage arts, history and community-based organizations, municipalities and educational institutions that are offering or planning arts or New Jersey history programs to become aware of this funding source and become engaged with the Commission."

Any non-profit organization based in Salem County is eligible to apply as long as their project focuses on the arts and/or New Jersey history. This year's deadline for submission is Friday, September 30, 2011. Grant awards will be announced in November 2011 for projects beginning in January 2012.

"The workshop is designed to help potential applicants develop a winning application," said Freeholder Timberman. "The program will familiarize potential applicants with the proposal format and guidelines and provide tips for effective grantwriting."

The Salem County Cultural and Heritage Commission is a public agency whose members are appointed by the Freeholders to represent the cultural and heritage interests of the County's fifteen municipalities. Funding for the Commission's grant programs is provided by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts and the New Jersey Historical Commission, both divisions of the New Jersey Department of State.

The workshop is open to the public and all potential applicants are strongly encouraged to attend. The program is free, but registration is requested to assure that enough handouts are available. For information and to register, contact Irene Wanner (856-935-7510 ext. 8532; or irene.wanner@salemcountynj.gov).